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In re Application of

Toru Shirasaki

Serial No.: 10/016,628 Group Art Unit: 1756

Filed: December 17, 2001 Examiner: Barreca, Nicole M.

For: PELLICLE, PHOTOMASK, PELLICLE FRAME, AND METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING PELLICLEHonorable Commissioner of Patents
Box AF
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-21 and 23-25 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1, 5, 14-15, and 19 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claim 22 is canceled.

Claims 1, 14, and 19 are independent.